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SPECIAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING

January 22, 1980

Time and Place: 9:00 - 9:45 a.m., White House Situation Room

Subject: Iran, Olympics, Pakistan, Argentina, Yugoslavia,
Intelligence, Military Deployments and
Bartholomew/Murray Mission

Participants:

State
Deputy Secretary Christopher
David Newsom
Harold Saunders

Defense
Secretary Harold Brown
Graham Claytor

CIA
Admiral Turner
Frank Carlucci

JCS
General David Jones
Lt. General John Pustay

Vice President's Office
Denis Clift

White House
David Aaron
Hedley Donovan
Hamilton Jordan (briefly)
Lloyd Cutler

NSC
William Odom
Gary Sick
Thomas Thornton

NSC Declassification Review [EO 13526]

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SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS by John Powers on 2/20/2018

1. Iran Sanctions. The President approved the SCC recommendation of yesterday that the announcement be delayed until after the Islamic Conference this weekend. The group agreed that if the date of the Islamic Conference should slip, we will take another look at the timing of an announcement. State will notify Saudi Arabia of the decision to delay. (C)

2. Olympics. Mr. Cutler reported to the group. We are beginning to get some support from a number of foreign governments, although the Olympic Committees are unanimously opposed. Congressman Zablocki will introduce a resolution of support for the President. Cutler and Onak will attend the weekend meeting of the U. S. Olympic Committee. Canada appears to be the most promising alternative site. The Canadian problems are twofold: money, and the fact that the Olympic Village is now gone. The SCC thought that public fundraising should be a realistic source of the necessary money, which is estimated to be in the tens of millions. Accommodations appear to be manageable if the two large universities in Montreal are made available. Moreover, the U.S. Moscow team had intended to train in West Berlin and then fly into Moscow as required. The same thing could be done

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in Montreal using accommodations in New England. All of the basic facilities and TV support are in place. Prime Minister Clark has said he supports the President's position. This subject will be added to Phil Habib's agenda while he is in Canada. (C)

3. Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Mr. Christopher reported briefly on the closed session meeting yesterday. Senators Pell, McGovern and Church are on the cautionary side on the Afghanistan package, with the Republicans on the other side. Senator Glenn is interested in retaining our non-proliferation policy to the extent possible but he understands the problem. The SFRC staff has raised some questions about the legislative history of the 1959 Executive Agreement. The problems are not entirely clear, but they evidently relate to explanatory letters sent to the SFRC at the time of the Agreement which denigrate the extent of the commitment. The State Department Legal Advisor is looking into this and we may wish to prepare an opinion within the next few days which would strengthen the commitment. (C)

4. Pakistan Arms and Aid Consortia. State is putting together a proposed package which will define the total effort we seek. It now appears that the total economic package will amount to \$1-1.5 billion and the military package about \$1 billion or more, depending on inclusion of high performance aircraft. This will be reviewed tomorrow. (S)

5. Pakistan Debt Relief. Henry Owen's group will report on this issue for the SCC tomorrow. (C)

6. Military Political Teams to Pakistan. The ball is presently in Pakistan's court. We have told the Pakistanis that a military survey team will be prepared to go whenever they are ready. The military team can go together with Mr. Christopher following the Islamic Conference, or independently. The Clifford mission to India will be announced at noon today, and we will notify the Pakistanis in advance. (C)

7. Argentina. General Goodpaster has agreed to go to Argentina tonight. He will have a heavy series of briefings at State and the White House today. Mr. Claytor said that a finding that Argentina had made substantial progress on human rights (in connection with the Kennedy Amendment) would be extremely helpful. Others noted that the Kennedy Amendment merely established a deadline (October 1, 1978) for Argentinian performance on human rights but indicated no relief for subsequent improvement. Mr. Newsom noted that this amendment would be much harder to lift than the Symington Amendment on Pakistan. The Argentinian record is still very bad, and the Inter-American Human Rights Commission report which is coming out soon will be extremely derogatory. Mr. Aaron said that General Goodpaster must have something to encourage the Argentines to be helpful. The instructions for his trip are being drafted and will be reviewed this afternoon. State will take a new look at the legislation. We are prepared to be helpful to Argentina with respect to the UN Human Rights Commission. (S)

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8. Military Facilities Team. A Mini-SCC will be held Wednesday to review the instructions for the political-military team to visit Oman, Somalia and Kenya. (S)

9. Prepositioning Military Equipment. Admiral Turner raised the possibility of positioning military equipment at Berenice in Egypt. Secretary Brown said that Defense would be prepared to move in the next several months on ships which could be used to preposition military equipment; he thought that would be faster and less expensive than development of Berenice. However, Defense will take a look at the concept of storing equipment in the desert with a minimum of development. Admiral Turner thought that an immediate announcement of some equipment storage in the Berenice area would send a useful signal in the context of the Yemen situation. Secretary Brown said that a Marine exercise would be an even more effective signal, but all agreed that we should first tie down agreement to access facilities in Oman and Somalia. (S)

10. B-52. [REDACTED]

11. Military Deployments. There are presently three carriers in the Northern Arabian Sea, while Nimitz replaces Kitty Hawk. The Coral Sea will replace Midway at the end of the month. Kitty Hawk will return to the West Coast via the Pacific, leaving Coral Sea and Nimitz on station. The Pacific MAU is en route to Eniwetok for turnover. It will then go to Subic Bay for several days. The MAU will be available to go to the Indian Ocean about mid-February. It could be available for an exercise in Oman by the end of February and in the Red Sea by early March. If a Red Sea exercise is planned, the Pacific MAU could be joined by the MAU from the Mediterranean. A decision will be required in the next few weeks if it is our firm intention to send the Pacific MAU to the Indian Ocean. The SCC thought it would also be valuable to exercise with the French Navy in the Mediterranean during this period when our carrier presence has been reduced and the Yugoslav problem is building. Mr. Aaron said he would raise this with the French during his forthcoming trip. (S)

12. Arms Sales to Yugoslavia. They have accepted our offer to sell 1000 Dragon anti-tank missiles but want to shave down the price. Defense will see if there is something symbolic we can offer on payment terms as training costs. (S)

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13. Reconnaissance

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